Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

Organic-Certified

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Organic-Certified		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:	-	

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of non-point source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, excess salinity in impaired watersheds with total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) where available, groundwater contamination or point sources such as contamination from confined animal feeding operations?	Yes O or No O
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement for water conservation or irrigation efficiency using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in water use?	
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards?	
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land?	
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable increase in the promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation?	
6. Will the treatment that you intend to implement using EQIP result in considerable benefits to residue management, nutrient management, air quality management, invasive species management, pollinator habitat, and animal carcass management technology or pest management?	
7. Will the treatment that you intend to implement using EQIP result in energy conservation benefits?	Yes O or No O

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	
Practice Implementation to Support Organic	
 EQIP plan schedule of operations provides for implementation of all funded practices within two years or less. 	Yes O or No O
EQIP plan schedule of operations provides for implementation of all funded practices within three years or less.	Yes O or No O
3. EQIP plan includes implementation of five or more of the NRCS Core 6 organic conservation practices OR completes an installed system of Core 6 organic conservation practices.	Yes O or No O
 EQIP plan includes implementation of three to four of the NRCS Core 6 organic conservation practices. 	Yes O or No O
5. EQIP plan includes implementation of one to two of the NRCS Core 6 organic conservation practices.	Yes O or No O
6. EQIP plan does not include any of the six NRCS Core organic conservation practices.	Yes O or No O
Soil Resource Issues	
1. EQIP plan includes implementation of two or more soil building/enhancing practices that address soil tilth, crusting, water infiltration, organic matter, compaction, etc., to FOTG quality criteria standards.	
2. EQIP plan includes implementation of one soil building/enhancing practice that addresses soil tilth, crusting, water infiltration, organic matter, compaction, etc., to FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes O or No O
3. EQIP plan includes implementation of practice 590 Nutrient Management to FOTG quality criteria for management of soil fertility, plant nutrients and soil amendments.	Yes O or No O
Soil Erosion Resource Issues	

1. EQIP plan includes practices which will result in measurable reduction of erosion from all sources OR participant has already addressed all erosion problems to FOTG quality criteria standards.		
Water Quality Resource Issues:		
1. EQIP plan includes practices which will result in reduction of sediment leaving the treatment unit and meets FOTG quality criteria standards.		
EQIP plan includes practices which will manage excess surface water discharge from the treatment unit to an impaired water body (e.g. EPA 303d list, etc.) to FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes O or No O	
 EQIP plan includes implementation of practice 595 Pest Management and an IPM plan to FOTG quality criteria for management of pests and noxious and invasive species to FOTG quality criteria standards. 		
Plant Condition Resource Issues		
1. EQIP plan includes practices which will result in management of surface residues to FOTG quality criteria standards.		
Domestic Animal Resource Issues		
 EQIP plan includes implementation of practice 511 Forage Harvest Management to address NOP requirements for management of feed supplements and forage supplies. 	Yes O or No O	
2. EQIP plan includes implementation of practice 528 Prescribed Grazing to FOTG quality criteria standards for management of plant species, livestock, residues, feed and other identified resource needs.	Yes O or No O	
3. EQIP plan includes implementation of practices which limit and manage domestic livestock access to streams, creeks and other natural water bodies to FOTG quality criteria standards.		
4. EQIP plan includes implementation of practice 633 Waste Utilization to manage domestic livestock manure to FOTG quality criteria standards to protect surface and groundwater resources.		
EQIP plan includes implementation of practices to assure adequate clean off-stream domesticlivestock drinking water sources are available in the treatment unit and meets FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes O or No O	
Fish and Wildlife Resource Issues		
1. EQIP plan includes implementation of practices which include pollinator friendly plant species in the crop rotation system.	Yes O or No O	
2. EQIP plan includes implementation of conservation practices which include pollinator plant species for organic production systems (e.g. filter & buffer strips, hedge rows, windbreaks, etc.).		

Local Issues Addressed

Final Ranking Score:

Issue Questions	Responses

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

•	Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
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Signature Date:	Signature Date: